



April 2016

# The Player

Wembley Downs Tennis Club Inc.

## From the President – *John Pritchard*

### ***Club Culture and our Responsibilities***

Our culture is the way we do things, the values we share, the norms and the expectations of one another. Developing a strong culture is crucial to the success of a club, both on and off the court. Our culture has evolved and developed over 55 years and is probably the envy of many other clubs.

All clubs have their good times and their lean times, and if WDTC is to remain successful we must maintain or even strengthen our culture, like a family, that binds members together. A part of our culture is the responsibility, we as individual members accept on belonging to the Club. That responsibility is about helping, caring, being a “*good sport*” on and off the court and respecting one another for who we are and what we do. Our behaviour will send out a signal about what we want and what we expect of others.

We are all at different stages of our lives with varying family commitments. Some of us would like to play tennis 24/7 whilst others are content with social weekday or weekend play. Whatever your position may I ask you to get involved in the life of the Club, accept your responsibilities and I guarantee you will enjoy yourself more. WDTC is not “*a*” club but “*our*” club and as members we all need to ensure it runs smoothly, remains financial, functional, neat and tidy.

In a few months time we will hold our AGM at which a number of office bearers will be standing down. Please consider how you may help us and let me know.

With apologies to the late JFK,

*“Ask not what WDTC can do for you but what you can do for WDTC”.*

### **THE 2016 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS ARE COMING.....**

WDTC will again be selling the popular Entertainment Books this year. If you like saving money these books are a must. They make excellent presents and can also be shared amongst family members. Please think about how many you and your friends would like. The more the Club sells, the more the Club makes!

The President will be coordinating sales again this year, so get in early.

## Captain's Room – Mike Underwood

What happened to that nice weather I was discussing last month! I suppose we need the rain and it can't be perfect for tennis every day in Perth, 90% of days is still pretty good. We have the City of Stirling Tournament this Sunday at Mt Lawley from 10 am to 5 pm and we will have a strong team. If you get a chance, drop in and support our team, as you will see some sensational tennis.

The President v Patrons afternoon is now scheduled for Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> May commencing at 1 pm. We would like to see a good turnout and the tennis will be very competitive as always.

On Sunday afternoon, the 22<sup>nd</sup> May, City Beach Tennis Club will be visiting our club so if you would like to play contact Taryn Sullivan. Taryn will endeavour to preorganise the sets and players.

This month's lucky social player was Meg Simpson (photo at the end of the player) with the prize from Hugo's Pizza.

### Winter League

Winter league starts this Sat with midweek starting next week. Best of luck to all players.

Just a note of congratulations to our 3 Senior MVPs from Summer League Martina Van-Rensburg, Jan Hibbard and Gareth Fricker. Trophies will be presented at a function at Tennis West on the 20<sup>th</sup> May and we will celebrate them again at the Annual Dinner along with their teammates.

### Club Champs

First and foremost I would like thank our following sponsors for their generous support of our club champs. Jaydee has been a long term sponsor of the club champs and there is no better expert in Perth when it comes to new air-conditioning systems or fixing old ones (as I found out when our system broke down a few years ago). Hugos Pizza have been wonderful in their support of the club champs and our state league team this year. And Tennis Only once again have been very generous. Mamatran is a new sponsor of the club champs and if you like great food and atmosphere it is the place to be. The owners of Mamatran are Van and Marissa Tran who have two daughters Alexa and Sophia, and a son Nicholas, who are all members of the club and played summer league last season.



**TENNIS ONLY**



We would like to see all winners and runners up (all results below) attend the annual dinner on the 28<sup>th</sup> May so make sure you register on the notice board in the club lounge. All photos from the event are on face book and winners will also receive a commemorative colour photo at the annual dinner.

The tennis was outstanding (as was the spirit & enthusiasm demonstrated by players, members & spectators) during both weeks of the club champs and we have quite a few new champions. Congratulations to Tom Hann who has now achieved the Club Champion Junior and Senior double and he is only the third member to achieve this to the best of my knowledge (Martin Baker and Tristan Venables being the other two).

EVENT	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
MEN'S OPEN SINGLES	Tom Hann	Charles Williams
MEN'S QUAL SINGLES	Ken Nosaka	Gareth Fricker
MEN'S QUAL OPEN SINGLES PLATE	Joel Forsyth	Tyson Buzzer
LADIES OPEN DOUBLES	Taryn Sullivan & Talia Gibson	Martina Van Rensburg & Susanna Monaco
MEN'S OPEN DOUBLES	Matt Connell & Gareth Fricker	Ken Nosaka & Mike Underwood
MEN'S OPEN DOUBLES PLATE	Deferred	
MIXED OPEN DOUBLES	Charles Williams & Lorraine Sims	David Rice & Martina Van Rensburg
LADIES VETERANS DOUBLES	Martina Van Rensburg & Di Rice	Christine Stanton & Susanna Monaco
LADIES VETERANS DOUBLES PLATE	Sandie Bateman & Tina Lord	Serene Staunton & Janet Paterson
MEN'S VETERANS DOUBLES	Peter Doherty & David Rice	Ken Nosaka & Neale Bougher
MEN'S VETERANS DOUBLES PLATE	Phil Hingston & Dean Gardiner	Tom Paterson & John Hemsley
MIXED VETERANS DOUBLES	Scott Grundmann & Rae Savage	Mike Underwood & Susanna Monaco
MIXED VETERANS DOUBLES PLATE	Ken Nosaka & Lauren Conlon	John Pritchard & Tammy Reddell

### ***Our Members Performances in Tournaments & Achievements***

*Please keep me posted on how our members go!*

- Penny Askin had an outstanding Busselton Tournament winning both the Mixed Open and Vets Mixed events combining with Phil Smith from Maylands Tennis Club.
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- At the recent Perth Autumn White AMT Alex Downey beat Tristan Schoolkate in a very tough 3 set final. Rafe and Luca Bonini dominated the doubles event and didn't lose a set.
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- At the national Australian Under 12 and 14 Tournament run in Adelaide in April Crystal Mildwaters won the 14s event, Will Hann was runner up in the boys and one of our recent Club Champs Ladies Doubles Champions Talia Gibson was runner up in the under 12s event.



## ***Players In Profile***

### ***Scott Webster***

Thought I would share an update on one of our former members Scottie Webster (see action photo at the end of the player) currently playing collegiate tennis in the US. Scottie plays number 1 for his team Appalachian State (Boone, North Carolina) and is having a very good season so far 11-2 in singles and 11-1 in doubles. And it is not all study and tennis he gets to travel a bit and see the rest of Carolina, Georgia and will be off to New Orleans soon.



### ***Jordan Powell***

Jordan is a club member who starting playing tennis again a couple of years ago and was a key member of our night summer league Division 4 winners (see photo at the end of the player Jordan is second from the right). Jordan's day job is a physio and he has now opened his own clinic in Bentley [freedomphysiotherapy.com.au](http://freedomphysiotherapy.com.au)

Now I can imagine there are many advantages in seeing a physio who is also a tennis player, and I hope Jordan won't mind me saying, he has just about explored every way someone can injure themselves on a tennis court (of course he always recovers quickly with self treatment).



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**WDTC**  
*Annual Dinner*  
28th May 2016  
at  
Wembley Downs Tennis Club

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**PRE DINNER DRINKS 6.45PM  
FOLLOWED BY DELICIOUS  
SHARED PLATTER AND  
TWO COURSE MEAL**

**\$80p/p**

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**Drinks available at the bar**

❖

*Come along and dance to the fabulous  
live music of Stuart and John*

Please put your name on the list  
below & payment to Meg Simpson

**Mid-Week Ladies – Wendy Hawkes**

Our “Closing Day” lunch will be held on 26th May.

Please bring a savoury dish or dessert. Setsuko McGrath, Pat Wenham and Di Clegg will be organizing the morning’s play and lunch

## ***On the Sick List!***

Judy Ellice has not been well and we look forward to seeing you back on the court soon!

## ***Many Happy Returns!***

Happy Birthday to any other members enjoying birthdays in March!

*Gordon Kendal celebrated a BIG one on 1 April. Was it truly your birthday, Gordon or just an April Fool's joke? No it was genuine. Congratulations!*



## **Members – Mark Sims**

A big, warm, welcome to the following new member –

Social : Luise Nelthorpe

## **JUNIOR FUNDRAISING SAUSAGE SIZZLE!**

This Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> April, our Juniors, Junior Committee, Coach and helpers will be cooking 900 sausages at -

***BUNNINGS INNALOO***

***SAUSAGE SIZZLE***

***8.00AM – 4.30PM***

Come along and support our Juniors and buy a sausage or two! All funds raised go towards Junior Development!

**Junior Club Champs 2016**

**Well done to all the Juniors who took part in the club champs.**

**Girls Singles U12**

Winner - Jemima Paterson  
Runner -Up Darcey Weber



**Boys Singles U12**

Winner - Wayne McNicol  
Runner-Up Noah Brinsden



### Boys Singles U14

Winner : Akira Fukumura  
Runner-Up : Shunsuke Kogo



### Boys Doubles U12

Winners : Archie Morrison/ Isaac Picart  
Runners-Up : Noah Brinsden/ Lincoln Paterson



And lastly winners of  
Green Ball Div 5 team – Zac Hosgood and Rohan Macneill







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**Upcoming Events – please mark them on your Calendar!**

**SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2016 – JUNIOR FUNDRAISING BBQ BUNNINGS INNALOO**

**SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> MAY – CITY OF STIRLING, MT LAWLEY TENNIS CLUB**

**SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> MAY – PRESIDENT VS PATRONS**

**SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY – CITY BEACH TENNIS CLUB VISIT**

**THURSDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY – MID WEEK LADIES CLOSING DAY**

**SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MAY – ANNUAL DINNER AND PRESENTATIONS**

Members Out and About - Club Championships and BBQ











## WDTC Uniforms

All pennant players are expected to wear the shirts/tops with plain navy blue shorts/skirts or skorts.

## Defibrillator



Please remember to check out the following link, which gives a short, 3-step demonstration on how to use the club's defibrillator (press Ctrl + click to follow link).

[http://www.healthcare.philips.com/pwc\\_hc/main/shared/Assets/multimedia/flash/resuscitation/AED/HS1\\_onsite\\_demo/index.wpd](http://www.healthcare.philips.com/pwc_hc/main/shared/Assets/multimedia/flash/resuscitation/AED/HS1_onsite_demo/index.wpd)

'Like' Wembley Downs Tennis Club and you'll see all the latest notifications, offers, photos and news! Your participation will encourage others and give our club exposure to possible new members. Thanks to those who have already checked in!



**MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2016**

***Anzac Day is where we honour the memories of those brave Aussie and NZ soldiers who fought and never came home at Gallipoli 101 years ago.***



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The advertisement features a silhouette of a hiker with a backpack on a rocky outcrop against a sunset sky. The text is overlaid on a dark green background.



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